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Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time – 13/14 November 2021

“As for the day and the hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.”

Mark 13, 32

ADVENT AT OUR LADY & ST ANNE

Fr Patrick's Advent Course

[Monday 29 November, 6, 13 20

December 2021 at 19.30 hrs./7pm]

Week 1 What do we understand as the Church?

Week 2 The Church in the Modern World

Week 3 Church & Society

Week 4 Ecumenical dimension

Advent Carol Service @ OLSA

Thursday 16th December @ 7.30pm

This service is intended to offer us a time of spiritual preparation, as we watch and wait for the coming of the Kingdom of God.

5 BIBLE STUDIES

- ADVENT SUNDAY GOSPELS

Mauro Iannicelli will break-open the forthcoming Advent Sunday Gospels with in-depth teaching & stimulating questions. As a result, you will experience Sunday Mass in a new way!

Five Wednesdays: 24 Nov | 1 Dec | 8 Dec | 15 Dec | 22 Dec (7-8pm UK Time). Free of Charge | LIVE sessions

on YouTube. Info & Registration: <https://comeandsee.org/advent>

CONTACTLESS GIVING HAS ARRIVED, CASH COLLECTIONS ARE GOING

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Margaret will speak about a new opportunity to make a donation to the parish.

'Contactless champions' are available to answer questions after Mass.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2022

If your child does not go to a Catholic school and you would like them to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation 2022, contact the parish office by email giving your child's name, age and a parental contact number. If you missed out over lockdown you are most welcome.

There will be an enrolment Mass toward end of January; three months of after-school catechesis, every second Wednesday [4pm], Confirmation during the month of June on a weekday evening. We will expect the children to attend Mass with their parents every Sunday, a register of attendance will be taken.

RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Marie-Therese (Mitza) Fawcett who died recently. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

WEARING OF MASKS

Please continue to wear masks when at Mass at Our Lady & St Anne's.



OUR LADY'S LAMP This week's lamp is lit for:
Robin & Cyril Turnock

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Thirty-third Week in Ordinary Time (Year B – Mark): Remembrance Sunday: The autumn is well advanced and the natural world is slipping into its winter sleep. The sun is low in the sky, it sets early. The leaves have fallen off the trees, fewer birds are singing, the weather is getting colder. And just as decay and death is to be seen in the world of nature, we think of the dead and pray for them. This weekend in particular the nation remembers those who have lost their lives in war. The task for most of us is to keep on living. The pandemic and mounting anxiety about the future of our planet gives an added urgency to this age-old quest. The Church too turns its thoughts to death and the hereafter. The scripture readings this weekend focus our minds on how Christians have prepared for death down the generations. Ours is a hopeful expectation based on our faith in Jesus Christ who rose from the dead and promised to all who were faithful to him the reward of eternal life.

First Reading (OT): Daniel 12, 1 – 3: Belief in individual resurrection and survival beyond death is not something we first find in the NT. Toward the end of the OT, in the books written in Greek, we find first traces of the resurrection of the flesh applying to each individual. But it was one of many beliefs and not shared by all, as Jesus' discussion with the Sadducees reveals. It is in ways comforting for us to realise that differences of opinion could be found among devout Jews without it threatening the unity of the community. The text today reveals that there is a link between virtuous living and the reward of everlasting life.

Second Reading (NT): Hebrews 10, 11 – 14. 18: This letter was written to a Christian community which had either converted directly from Judaism or were familiar with the beliefs and customs of the Jews. Its members were acquainted with the rituals of the Jerusalem temple and with the link between the priests on duty there and the sacrifices offered. Jesus did not belong to the priestly caste yet he became through his sacrificial death on the cross the one unique high priest. The sacrifice his death represented was the once and for all sacrifice that made any further offerings for sin unnecessary.

Gospel: Mark 13, 24 – 32: The weekend newspapers suggest that the Norwegian shipping company Hurtigruten is doing a hard sell to convince as many people as possible to see the celebrated Northern Lights. By crossing the Arctic circle in winter one is guaranteed a spectacular viewing. The scene must be rather like that described by Jesus in today's gospel. He was talking of the end times and warning people to be ready. Many of those who heard or read these words from Mark's gospel will have seen the destruction of the Jerusalem Temple in AD 70 or certainly heard about it. Most religions or belief systems have ideas about how this transitional world will end. For the disciples of Christ, his death and resurrection give hope that we will all share in the new life he has promised in the world to come. This world ends on God's terms, he alone decides when the close of the age is to dawn. Jesus warns us that we must be always ready.

Mass Intentions for Thirty-third Week in Ordinary Time

Thirty third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

Saturday	13 th November	17.30	Kathleen Turner RIP
Sunday	14 th November	10.00	Deceased of World Wars
<i>[Remembrance Sunday]</i>			
Monday	15 th November	09.15	Deceased of Gratrix family
<i>Memorial of St Albert the Great, Bishop, doctor of the Church</i>			
Tuesday	16 th November	09.15	Búd Staunton
<i>Memorial of St Edmund of Abingdon, Bishop</i>			
Wednesday	17 th November	18.30	Búd Sammin
<i>Memorial of St Hilda, Abbess</i>			
Thursday	18 th November	08.00	Holy souls
<i>Memorial of the Dedication of the Basilicas of SS Peter and Paul, Apostles</i>			
Friday	19 th November	12.30	Holy Souls
<i>Friday of week 33 in Ordinary Time</i>			
Saturday	20 th November	10.00	Holy souls
<i>Saturday of week 33 in Ordinary Time</i>			

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Year B

Saturday	20 th November	17.30	Holy Souls
Sunday	21 st November	10.00	Victoria Kennedy RIP

Evening prayer, Rosary:	16.45	Saturday afternoon
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